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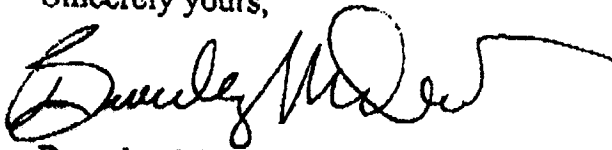
Ms. Renata Hesse
Antitrust Division
Department of Justice
601 D Street NW, Suite 1200
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Ms. Hesse:

I believe one of the strongest reasons to support a settlement in the Microsoft case is how the agreement will be enforced. The independent Technical Committee being created has the power to hire unlimited staff. The Committee will reside at Microsoft Corporation site at Microsoft's expense. Furthermore, the agreement specifies the U.S. Justice Department as the sole enforcement authority. To summarize, the settlement agreement provides resources, access, and authority to respond to complaints about Microsoft's compliance. This is an enforcement mechanism with that is bound to work.

It is heartening to see this case finally being settled. The U.S. economy can use a boost and the high-tech industry may be able to provide it.

Sincerely yours,



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